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Detroit Police Make Arrests In Girl-Nailing

DETROIT (UPI) — Three members of "The Outlaws" motorcycle group were arrested Friday night on charges of nailing a teen-age girl to a tree in West Palm Beach, Fla., as punishment for disobeying club rules.

Sheriff William Heidtman of Palm Beach County, Fla., aided by officers of the Detroit Police Intelligence Bureau and state police arrested the trio in a raid at a clubhouse shared by "The Outlaws" and "Renegades."

The three cyclists, charged with conspiracy to commit a felony and aggravated assault, were identified as Donald Graves, 18, Detroit; John Waddles, 24, Warren, Mich., and Joe Sorsby Jr., 19, Houston, Texas. They will be returned to Florida.

Police were holding six other club members for questioning. Twelve other persons picked up in the raid later were released.

Christine Deese, 18, of suburban West Palm Beach, told police Nov. 12 she was nailed by the hands to a tree branch with 10-penny nails because she "withheld $10 from the members of the club."

She named five men as her assailants. Two men were arrested in Florida Nov. 13.